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AT THE JANUARY 5 POLADS MEETING, THE ITALIAN REP REPORTED
THAT, DURING HIS VISIT TO PEKING IN NOVEMBER, THE CHAIRMAN
OF THE ITALIAN SENATE'S CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC GROUP GIUSEPPE
BARTOLOMEI WAS TOLD BY CHINESE OFFICIALS THAT THEY DESIRED TO
IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH THE WEST AND THAT THE COURSE OF FUTURE
SOVIET/PRC RELATIONS WILL DEPEND ON WHAT THE WEST DOES.
THE CHINESE EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE THEY ATTACHED TO MAIN-
TAINING THE WEST'S WILL TO CONTAIN THE SOVIETS, AND HINTED
THAT A MORE PRO-DETENTE LINE ON THE PART OF THE NEW US ADMINIS-
TRATION WOULD CAUSE THE CHINESE TO REVIEW THEIR RELATIONS
WITH THE US. THE CHINESE REPORTEDLY VIEWED THE RISE OF
EUROCOMMUNISM PRINCIPALLY IN TERMS OF ITS POTENTIAL
EFFECT ON THE BALANCE OF POWER IN THE WEST, AND BELIEVED
THAT THE SUCCESS OF EUROCOMMUNISM COULD DISRUPT THE
BALANCE OF POWER IN EUROPE BY WEAKENING NATO'S ABILITY
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TO COUNTER THE SOVIETS, WHO WOULD IN TURN HARDEN THEIR
POSITION TOWARD THE PRC. STRAUSSZ-HUPE

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